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In response to the final Office Action mailed October 29, 2004, applicants provide the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-19 are pending in the application for reconsideration.

The applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for indicating allowable subject matter in claim 14.

Applicants object to the finality of the rejection. The Examiner is reminded of the requirements of MPEP § 706.02(j) Contents of a 35 U.S.C. 103 Rejection:

"It is important for an examiner to properly communicate the basis for a rejection so that the issues can be identified early and the applicant can be given fair opportunity to reply."

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